



Sikhi, the path of the Guru, describes enlightenment as the game of uniting with the Divine. In explaining this process, the Gurus frequently use the metaphor of a young bride-to-be marrying her husband.

In this metaphor, everyone, regardless of gender, is considered as the bride, hoping to achieve union with her husband, and with that union to experience the bliss of unity. In these writings, the Guru takes on the voice of a woman in their poetry, describing how the

fortunate bride attracts the Divine, in the form of the husband.

"The fortunate bride decorates herself, placing a garland of good virtues around her neck."

— Ang 426, Raag Aasaa, written by Guru Amar Das Ji

The jewellery of good qualities, humility, sweet speech, truthfulness, compassion, friendliness, admiration, and loving devotion attracts and binds the husband to

the bride. With these qualities a union is created, and the bliss of that unity is analogous to enlightenment, a letting go of one's past identity and merging into one's Beloved. The history of Sikh women is filled with stories of how these qualities were practised by foundational visionaries, women who were involved in fashioning the institutions of the community from the very beginning.

The calendar attempts to visually convey these stories which have long been ignored.



Dedication to reading Bani from Bibi Amro; the oldest daughter of Guru Angad Dev Ji

Fearless Deep Kaur, who attained martyrdom in defeating a Mughal patrol who's general tried to dishonour her

Inspiration told through a depiction of Guru Nanak Dev Ji's sister Bebe Nanaki

Leadership by the Queen and Commander in Chief of the entire Khalsa Panth; Mata Sahib Deva

Duty as shown by the sacrifice of Bibi Mumtaz

Defiance from the courtyard of horrors, by the Sikh Women imprisoned by Mir Mannu who remained steadfast in their faith

Service by Mata Khivi in helping to establish the present day Langar system

Empress Mata Nanaki; the Wife of Guru Hargobind Sahib, mother of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji and grand-mother of Guru Gobind Singh Ji

Contentment by Mata Solakhni, the wife of Guru Nanak Dev Ji

Strength as told through the heroic feat of Mai Bhago at the battle of Muktsar

Love for the Guru's Bani gave Mata Kaula the fortitude to escape from Qazi Rustam Khan

Detachment from worldly life as exemplified by Bibi Bhani, reminding us of our higher purpose as a soul bride



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GIVE AS A GIFT

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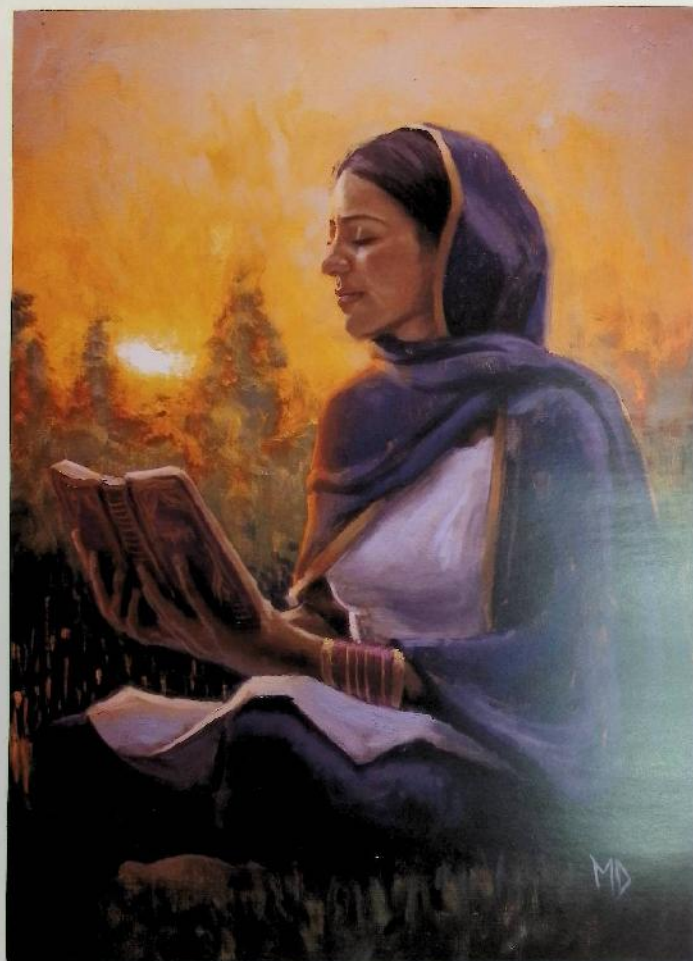


New Moon / Massiah



Full Moon / Pooranmashi

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January



Poh ਪੋਹ / Magh ਮਾਘ

ਖ਼ਤਿਰਮੀ ੨੦੨੯, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੪

Title: Bibi Amro

Medium: Oil Painting

Artist: Mani Dhillwal, CA

@manidizzle

Commissioner: Sarbjit Singh

Bibi Amro was the daughter of Guru Angad Dev Ji and Mata Khivi, and the wife of Bhai Jesoo. She was taught to read and write in Gurmukhi by her father; and her talent was such that she committed vast amounts of Sikh scripture to memory.

Her husband's uncle, Amar Das, would occasionally visit his brother, and it was on one such visit; that Amar Das heard the sweet voice of Bibi Amro singing Gurbani.

From this transformative meeting, the elderly Amar Das, moved by the melodic sweetness of Gurbani, would go on to spend years in the service of Guru Angad Dev Ji. Amar Das would ultimately go on to succeed Guru Arjan Dev Ji as the third Guru, known henceforth as Guru Amar Das Ji.

Guru Amar Das Ji propagated a structure to the Sikh community and appointed Bibi Amro as the head of one of the 22 districts that were formed. Bibi Amro was responsible for all aspects of administration and was influential in the choice of Amritsar as the spiritual home for Sikhs.

02 Holiday
New Year's Day

13 Festival
Lohri

16 US Holiday
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

18 Birth of
Bhai Himra: Singh Ji

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ਨਵਾ ਸਾਲ

੧੩ ਲੋਹਰੀ

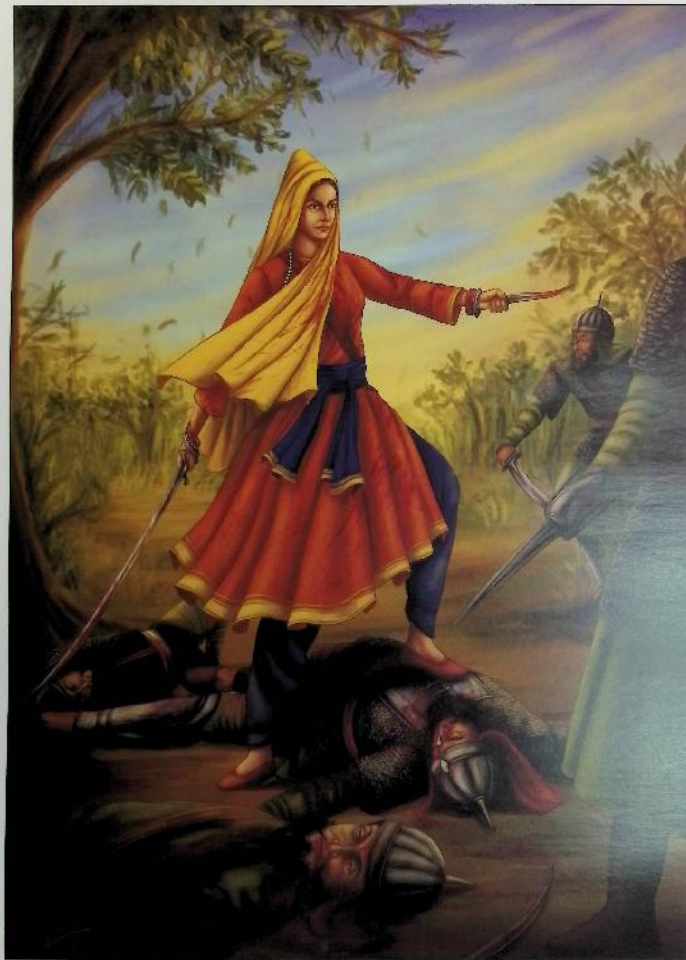
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ਭਾਈ ਹਿੰਮਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ

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February

Magh भाग / Phagun ढँगा

बेदेवमी २०१६, ठानमसगी ५५४

Title: Deep Kaur

Medium: Digital Art

Artist: Sharandeep Singh, IND

@sarloharts

Commissioner: Inder Bassi

The brave Deep Kaur earned great fame on a trip from her local village to see Guru Gobind Singh Ji at Anandpur Sahib.

The group she was travelling with had split into two separate parties, and it was whilst Deep Kaur travelled alone to catch up with the other group that she was encircled and harassed by four local thugs; throwing her to the ground in order to rob her.

When one thug bent over the prone Deep Kaur, she grabbed his sword and quickly chopped him down, before striking down the other three. When the other group of Sikhs approached, they saw Deep Kaur sitting on top of one of the corpses, with the other three around her.

When they reached Anandpur Sahib she received great praise from Guru Gobind Singh Ji, who instructed other women in the congregation to also adorn such a brave Goddess spirit.

03 | Parkash
Guru Har Rai Ji

0३ | गुरु हर राय
गुरु हर राय जी

05 | Birth of
Bhagat Kavidas Ji

0५ | बहाग कवि
बहाग कविदास जी

12 | Birth of
Salihazade Aji, Sri Gur Ji

१२ | सलीहादे
सलीहादे अजी गुरु जी

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March



Phagun ਵੱਗਣ / Chét ਸੇਤ

ਬਦਿਹਮੀ ੨੦੭੯-੮੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੪-੫੫

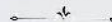
Title: Bebe Nanaki

Medium: Miniature Painting

Artist: Jatinder Singh Durhailay, UK

@jatindersinghdurhailay

Commissioner: Amardeep Sanghera



Bebe Nanaki, considered to be the first Sikh, was the first to recognise her younger brother, Guru Nanak Dev Ji's presence, prowess and profound perspectives. As such, she defenced Guru Ji from negative comments and misconceptions, as she was able to better recognise the true, transcendent nature of Guru Nanak Dev Ji.

Bebe Nanaki exemplified the essence of Seva. She would offer Guru Nanak Dev Ji a job at her husband's shop, open up her own home in Sultanpur to Guru Ji and his wife and later, would gift Guru Nanak Dev Ji the Rabab that Bhai Mardana went on to play in accompaniment. She also played a significant role in raising Baba Sri Chand.

Bebe Nanaki took her last breath in the arms of her brother, as Guru Ji recited Japji Sahib.

02 | Birth of
Sahibzada Fateh Singh Ji

੦੨ | ਜਗਾ ਸਿੰਘ
ਸਾਹਿਬਜ਼ਾਦਾ ਬਾਹ ਬਤਾਰੇ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ

08 | Festival
Holla Mowalla
Sri Anandpur Sahib

੦੮ | ਹੋਲਾ
ਮੋਲਾ ਮੋਵਾਲਾ,
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਨੰਦਪੁਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ

19 | Gurgadi
Guru Har Rai Ji

੧੯ | ਗੁਰਗਾਦੀ
ਗੁਰੂ ਹਰਰਾਇ ਜੀ

22 | Gurgadi
Guru Amar Das Ji

੨੨ | ਗੁਰਗਾਦੀ
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23 | Shahadi
Sardar Bhagat Singh Ji

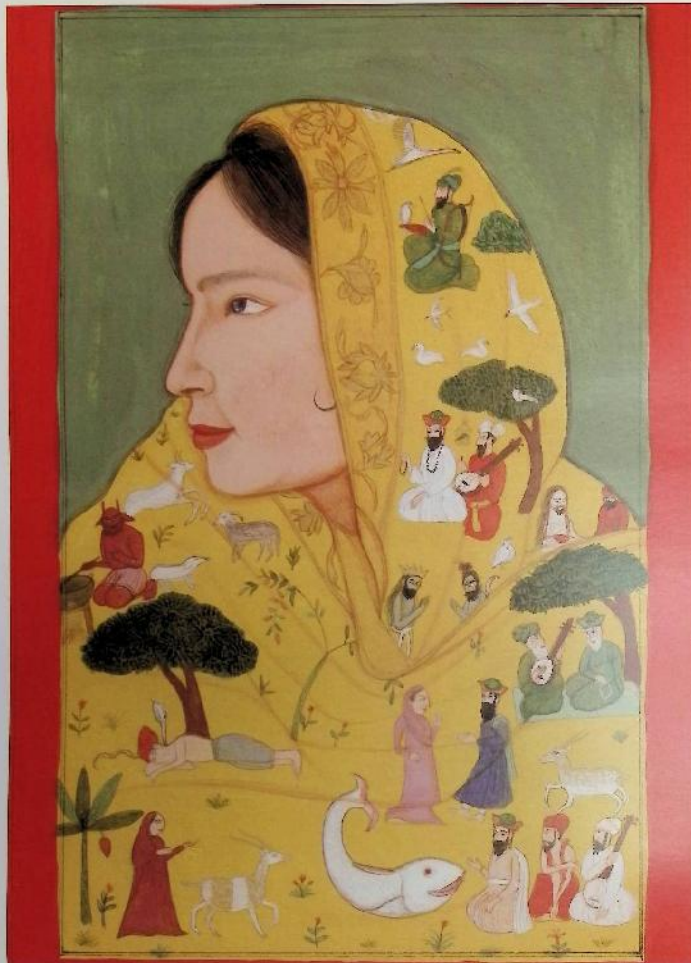
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25 | Jyoti Jot
Guru Angad Dev Ji

੨੫ | ਜੋਤੀ ਜੋਤ
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26 | Jyoti Jot
Guru Hargobind Ji

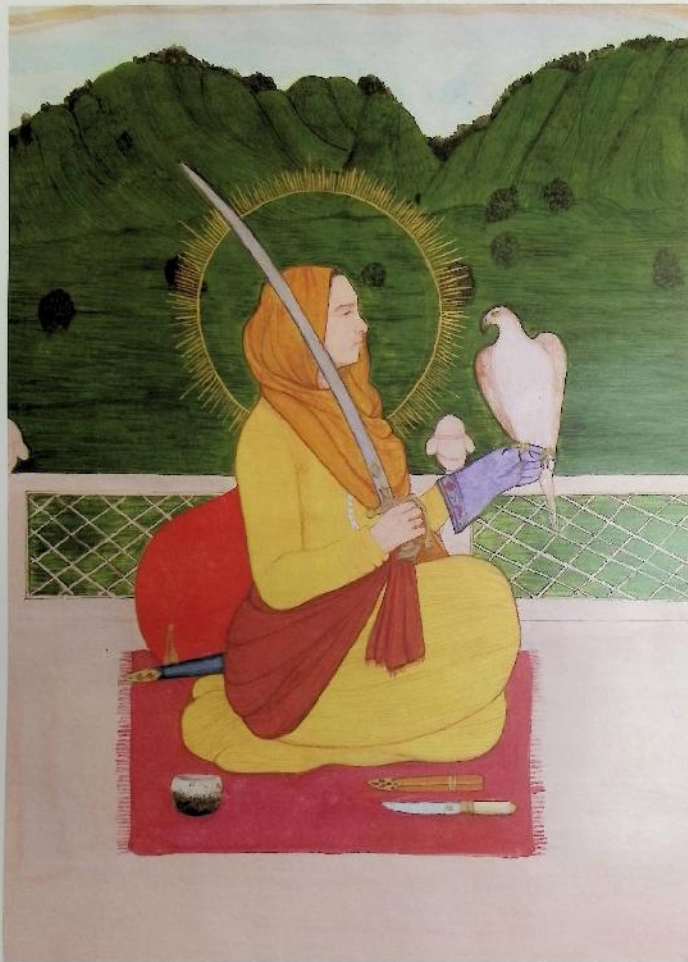
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Phagun ਮੱਥ											
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April



Chét चेत / Vaisakh ਵੈਸਾਖ

ਧਰਿਤੀ ੨੦੨੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੫

Title: Mata Sahib Deva

Medium: Miniature Painting

Artist: Jatinder Singh Durhalla, UK

@Jatindersinghdurhalla

Mata Sahib Deva, the empress of the Sikh community and mother to the Khalsa, held court in Delhi following Guru Gobind Singh Ji's passing in 1708.

She would direct the Khalsa on socio-political matters whilst also heading humanitarian endeavours like the creation of wells for the congregation. Addressing the community of Khalsa as her children, Mata Ji would perform daily worship to the weapons of Guru Gobind Singh.

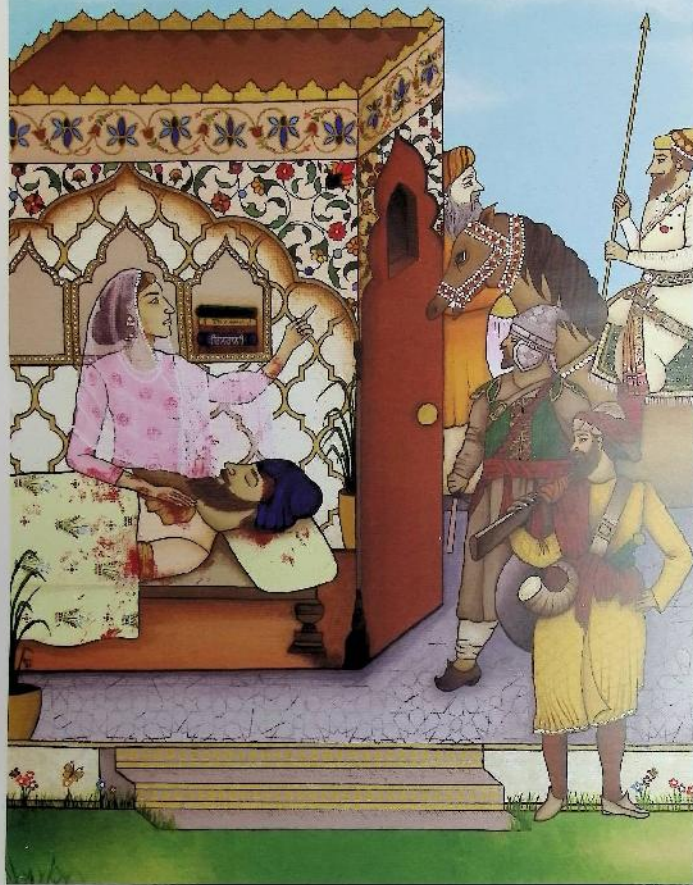
A modern take on her name adds the honorific 'Kaur', which is understandable since this is the name given to women after they are baptised into the Khalsa panth. However, all of the hukamnama (proclamations) that were penned in her own hand after the birth of the Khalsa in 1699 show that she signed her name as Sahib Deva.

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Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji | 08 | ਬੁਢਿਅਈ
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| 05 | Jyoti Jot
Guru Harir shan Ji | 09 | ਜੋਤੀ ਜੋਤ
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਹਰਿਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਜੀ |
| 07 | Holiday
Good Friday | 10 | ਵਾਹਿਗੋਬਿੰਦ
ਭੁਭ ਚਰਣਗੋਬਿੰਦ |
| 09 | Birth of
Sahitzaads Jhujar Singh Ji | 11 | ਨਕਸ਼ ਵਿਸ਼
ਸਾਹਿਤਾਦਾ ਚਾਨਾ ਸੁਰਾਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ |
| 10 | Holiday
Easter Monday | 12 | ਵਾਹਿਗੋਬਿੰਦ
ਸ਼ੇਖਰ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ |
| 11 | Parkash
Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji | 13 | ਪਰਕਾਸ਼
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਤੇਗ ਬਹਾਦਰ ਜੀ |
| 12 | Parkash
Guru Arjan Dev Ji | 14 | ਪਰਕਾਸ਼
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਅਰਜਨ ਦੇਵ ਜੀ |
| 14 | Festival
Vaisakhi | 15 | ਵੈਸਾਖ
ਵੈਸਾਖੀ |
| 21 | Birth of
Bhagat Khanna Ji
Parkash
Guru Angad Dev Ji | 29 | ਨਕਸ਼ ਵਿਸ਼
ਭਗਤ ਖੰਨਾ ਜੀ
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May



Vaisakh ਵੈਸਾਖ / Jeth ਜੇਠ

ਬ੍ਰਹਮੰ ੨੦੨੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੫

Title: Bibi Mumtaz

Medium: Hand Painting

Artist: Dilranj Kaur, US

@dilranikaur

Commissioner: Gurpal Bhandal

Bibi Mumtaz, the daughter of a Muslim named Nihang Khan, medically served Bhai Bachittar Singh, the famed horseman, during his last few days after the great Battle of Anandpur Sahib (1704).

Bhai Bachittar Singh was critically wounded during his defence of the rear of Anandpur Sahib, and Nihang Khan, who had a great deal of devotion for Guru Gobind Singh Ji, took in the injured Bhai Bachittar Singh.

Here, Bibi Mumtaz took medical care of Bhai Ji. When enemy soldiers confronted Nihang Khan and accused him of harbouring enemies, Nihang Khan was able to keep Bhai Bachittar Singh, hidden in the darkness of the room, safe under the guise that he was Bibi Mumtaz's husband. Soon after Bhai Bachittar Singh became Shehsad and Bibi Mumtaz took Nihang Khan's words as truth - that she was married to Bhai Bachittar Singh. She would spend the rest of her life in meditative reverence of the Guru as Bhai Ji's widow.

01 | UK Holiday
Early May Bank Holiday

੦੧ | ਗਲੀਏਮ
ਮੁਖਿਕ ਵੈਖ ਗਲੀਏਮ

04 | Parkash
Guru Amar Das Ji

੦੪ | ਅਮਰਦਾਸ
ਗੁਰੂ ਅਮਰਦਾਸ ਜੀ

08 | UK Holiday
Coronation

੦੮ | ਰਾਜੀਏਮ
ਰਾਜਪੇਟ

13 | Gurgaddi
Guru Hargobind Ji

੧੩ | ਗੁਰਗਾਏੀ
ਗੁਰੂ ਹਰਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਜੀ

23 | Shehsadi
Guru Arjan Dev Ji

੨੩ | ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ
ਗੁਰੂ ਅਰਜਨ ਦੇਵ ਜੀ

29 | UK Holiday
Spring Bank Holiday

੨੯ | ਗਲੀਏਮ
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Jeth ਜੇਠ											
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June



Jeth ਮੇਠ / Harh ਗ੍ਰੰਥ

ਬਾਕਿਸ਼ਨ: ੨੦੮੦, ਨਵੰਬਰ ੫੫੫

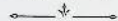
Title: Courtyard of Horrors

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas

Artist: Balkishan Jhumat, UK

@balkishan_jhumat_artist

Commissioner: Gurpreet Sidhu



The Governor of Lahore, Mir Mannu, sought to eradicate all Sikhs from his province. Sikh families were rounded up and sent to Lahore. The men were beheaded, and the remaining family members were sent to a labour camp, where women were expected to grind over 40 pounds of grain each day.

Freedom was offered to them if they converted to an extremely intolerant version of Islam, but not a single woman abandoned their Guru - they remained unwavering in their Sikh faith, displaying this through their singing of Gurbani.

Mir Mannu escalated his barbarism by ordering children to be slain in front of their mothers. The lifeless bodies of babies, toddlers and children were ripped apart, with the limbs strung into garlands that were placed around the necks of the grieving mothers.

Yet in the face of this, they held steadfast to their identity, remaining defiantly resolute.

1-6 | Genocida
Operation Blue Star 1984

੬ | Birth of
Bhagat Kabir Ji

੬ | Farkash
Guru Hargobind Ji
Birth of
Bhai Mukham Singh Ji

18 | Birth of
Bhai Sahib Singh Ji

23 | Shahoodi
Bhai Mami Singh Ji

25 | Shahoodi
Baba Banica Singh Ji Bahadur

28 | Divas
Mini - Piti

੧-੬ | ਯੋਗੁਧਾਰ
ਮਿਲ: ਭਾਰਤ 1984

੬ | ਜਨਮ ਦਿਨ
ਭਗਤ ਕਬੀਰ ਜੀ

੬ | ਸ਼ਾਹਦਾਪ
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ
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੧੮ | ਜਨਮ ਦਿਨ
ਭਾਈ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ

੨੩ | ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ
ਭਾਈ ਮਾਮੀ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ

੨੫ | ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ
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੨੮ | ਭਗੀਰਥੀ
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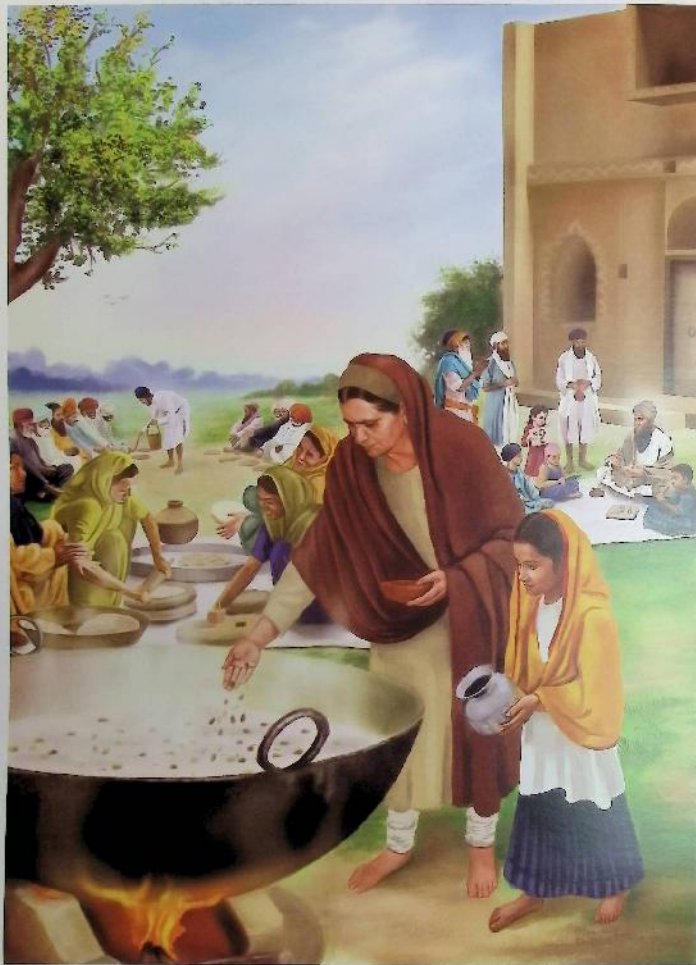
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Harh ਗ੍ਰੰਥ												
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July

Harh राह / Sawan सादर

सन्निवर्षी २०२०, ठाठसर्परी ५५५



Title: Mata Khivi

Medium: Digital Art

Artist: Daljeet Singh, IND

@_daljeetsinghart_

Commissioner: Gurjit Bhandal

Mata Khivi was the wife of Guru Angad Dev Ji, the second Guru. She was also considered a key figure-head for the early Sikh community, and has the auspicious honour of being the only Sikh woman directly mentioned in Guru Granth Sahib Ji:

Balwand says; Khivi, the virtuous wife [of Guru Angad], whose [caring nature] provides such dense shade to all. She serves a great wealth of communal food, delicious like ambrosial nectar, rice pudding with clarified butter.

— Ang 967, Ragh Ramkali, written by Sata & Balwand

Mata Khivi played an exceptional role in the expansion of langar seva. Living a long life in Khadar Sahib, Mata Ji raised four children, the most notable being Bibi Amro, who is also featured in this calendar.

1 | CA Holiday
Canada Day

१ | गुरुद्वितीय
डिगना देग

4 | US Holiday
Independence Day

४ | गुरुद्वितीय
अमरपरी डेग

11 | Parkash
Guru Harkrishan Ji

११ | अमरपरी
गुरु हरिकृष्ण जी

16 | Shaheedi
Bhai Taru Singh Ji

१६ | बहीरी
बहीरी तारु सिंह जी

31 | Shaheedi
Sardar Jdham Singh Ji

३१ | बहीरी
सदर जधम सिंह जी

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Harh ਰਾਹ											
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August



Sawan ਮਾਣਨ / Bhadron ਭਾਦਰੋ

ਬਕਿਰਮੀ ੨੦੮੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੫

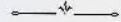
Title: Mata Nanaki

Medium: Colour Pencils

Artist: Jaskaran Singh, IND

@jaskaran_arts

Commissioner: Manmohm Johal

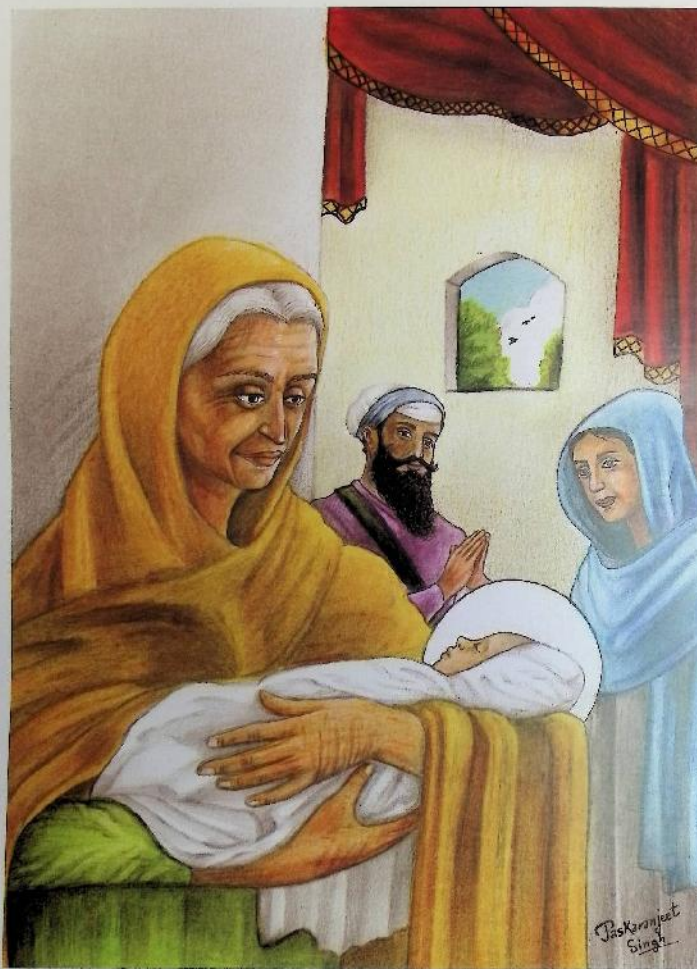


Mata Nanaki, the wife of Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji, was a constant force of support of the Sikh community in a way only akin to Baba Budha. Both lived exceptionally long lives and, while Baba Budha lived to see six Gurus, Mata Nanaki would see and serve five Gurus, from Guru Arjan Dev Ji to Guru Gobind Singh Ji.

Mata Nanaki saw the expansion of the Sikh community in Amritsar during Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji's time.

She was a community leader during this period, travelling eastwards with her son [Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji] and Mata Gujri Ji. Mata Nanaki would help raise the young Gobind Rai while Guru Tegh Bahadur was travelling in Assam. Mata Nanaki was the constant force of support and guidance for the latter half of the Sikh period of physical Guruship.

In this image Mata Nanaki is cradling the young Gobind Rai with Kirpal Chand and Mata Gujri in the background.



7 | Completion
Gur J Granth Sahib Finalised

੭ | ਪਿਸ਼ਾ
ਮੰਗਲਾਕਾਰ ਹੋ ਕੁਝ ਕੁਝ ਜਾਗਿ ਸੀ

27 | Birth of
Jhal Daya Singh Ji

੨੭ | ਜਨਮ ਦਿਨ
ਭਲੀ ਦਾਨਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ

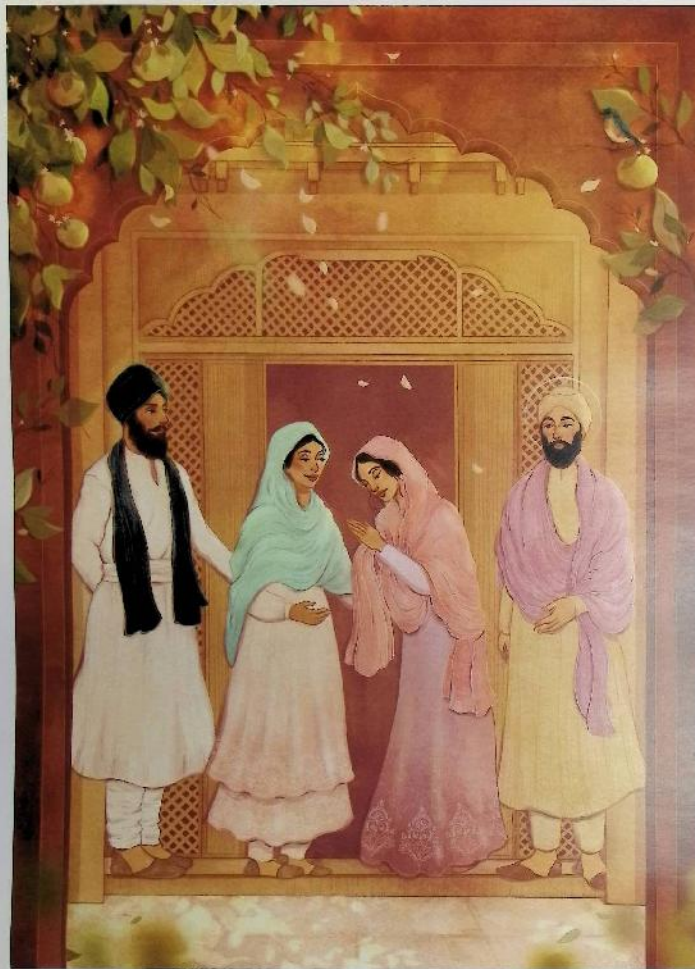
28 | UK Holiday
Summer Bank Holiday

੨੮ | ਰਾਜੀਵੀਰ
ਭਰਮੀ ਬੰਦ ਰਾਜੀਵੀਰ

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September



Bhadron ਭਾਦਰੋ / Assu ਅੱਸੂ

ਬਕਿਰਮੀ ੨੦੮੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੨੫੫

Title: Mata Solakhni

Medium: Mixed Media

Artist: Darsh Chetty, RSA

@darsh_illustration

Commissioner: Parmajit & Manjit Johal

Mata Solakhni, the One with Great Qualities and the wife of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, was a pillar of support for the foundation of the early Sikh community.

While she and Guru Nanak Dev Ji were still in their late teenage years, they moved in with Guru Nanak Dev Ji's sister Bebe Nanaki and her husband Jai Ram in Sultanpur. It was here where Mata Solakhni would give birth to her two sons, Sri Chand and Lakshmi Das, who she raised her children with the unyielding support of Bebe Nanaki (who she held in the highest regard).

Whilst Guru Nanak Dev Ji proceeded on their travels across the world, Mata Solakhni and several other Sikhs sustained the local congregations in Panjab.

4 | CA Holiday
Labour Day

17 | Gurgaddi
Guru Arjan Dev Ji

18 | Jyoti Jot
Guru Ram Das Ji

22 | Marriage of
Guru Nanak Dev Ji
& Mata Solakhni

27 | Gurgaddi
Guru Ram Das Ji

29 | Jyoti Jot
Guru Amar Das Ji

30 | CA Holiday
National Day

8 | ਰਾਜੀਏਅ
ਲੇਬਰ ਡੇਅ

੧੭ | ਗੁਰਗਾਦੀ
ਗ੍ਰੰਥ ਅੰਗਨ ਦੇਵ ਜੀ

੧੮ | ਜੋਤੀ ਜੋਤ
ਗ੍ਰੰਥ ਰਾਮ ਦਾਸ ਜੀ

੨੨ | ਵਿਆਹ
ਗੁਰੂ ਨਾਨਕ ਦੇਵ ਜੀ ਅਤੇ
ਮਾਤਾ ਸੋਲਾਖਣੀ ਜੀ

੨੭ | ਗੁਰਗਾਦੀ
ਗੁਰੂ ਰਾਮ ਦਾਸ ਜੀ

੨੯ | ਜੋਤੀ ਜੋਤ
ਗ੍ਰੰਥ ਰਾਮ ਦਾਸ ਜੀ

੩੦ | ਰਾਜੀਏਅ
ਨਾਸ਼ਨਲ ਡੇਅ

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Assu ਅੱਸੂ / Kattak ਕੱਤਕ

ਬਕਿਰੀ ੨੦੨੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੫

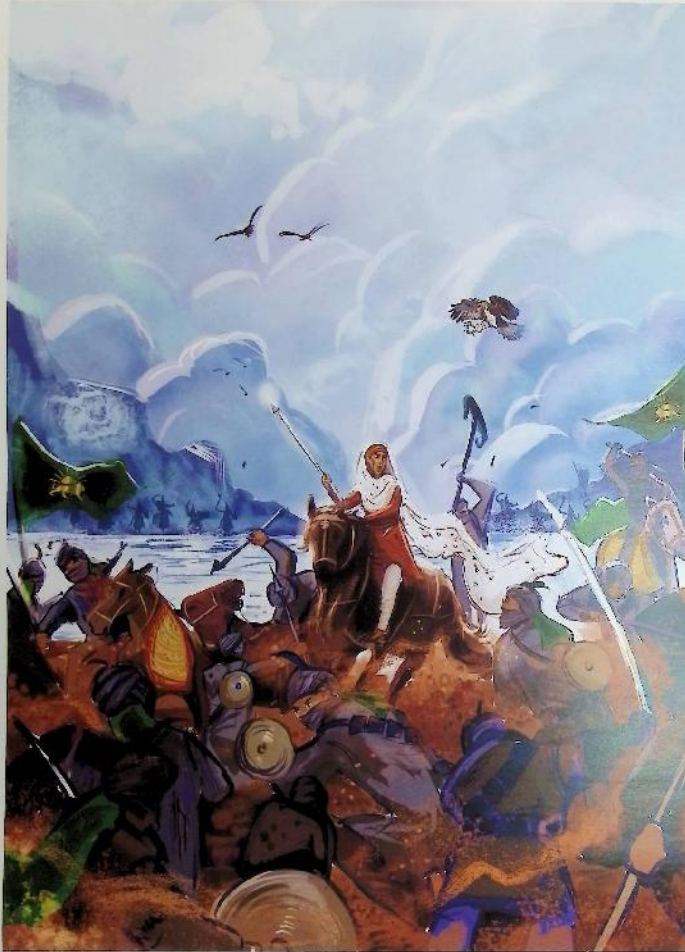
Title: Mai Bhago

Medium: Digital Art

Artist: Fathima Hakkim, UK

@fathima_hakkim

Commissioner: Sanjiv Kumar



In 1704, Mughal Hill Chiefs surrounded the Guru in Anandpur Sahib; stating any man could leave on the condition that they declared themselves as no longer being a Sikh of the Guru. 40 Sikhs agreed to this and were made to sign a document by Guru Gobind Singh Ji declaring themselves as no longer his Sikhs.

Mai Bhago was enraged when she heard of their desertion and confronted them: upon their arrival at their home village. Her ferocious taunts led them to realise their shame, and they eagerly agreed to return to the battlefield, seeking forgiveness.

On their journey they intercepted a Mughal army pursuing the Guru. Mai Bhago and the 40 men fought the Mughals on horseback with spear in hand and forced them into retreat. All of the men had attained Shaheedi except for the seriously injured Mai Bhago. Guru Gobind Singh Ji forgave the 40 martyred men and proclaimed them as his Sikhs once again.

Mai Bhago was taken under the care of the Guru and went on to spend the rest of her life as a Mithangani, serving within the Guru's army. She was one of the rare few, to be appointed as a personal guard for Guru Ji.

3 | Curgaddi
Guru Angad Dev Ji

੩ | ਕੁਰਿਗਦੀ
ਗੁਰੂ ਅੰਗਦ ਦੇਵ ਜੀ

9 | Jyoti Jot
Guru Nanak Dev Ji

੯ | ਜੀਤੀ ਜੋਤ
ਗੁਰੂ ਨਾਨਕ ਦੇਵ ਜੀ

23 | Birth of
Bhai Dharam Singh Ji

੨੩ | ਭਾਈ ਧਰਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ

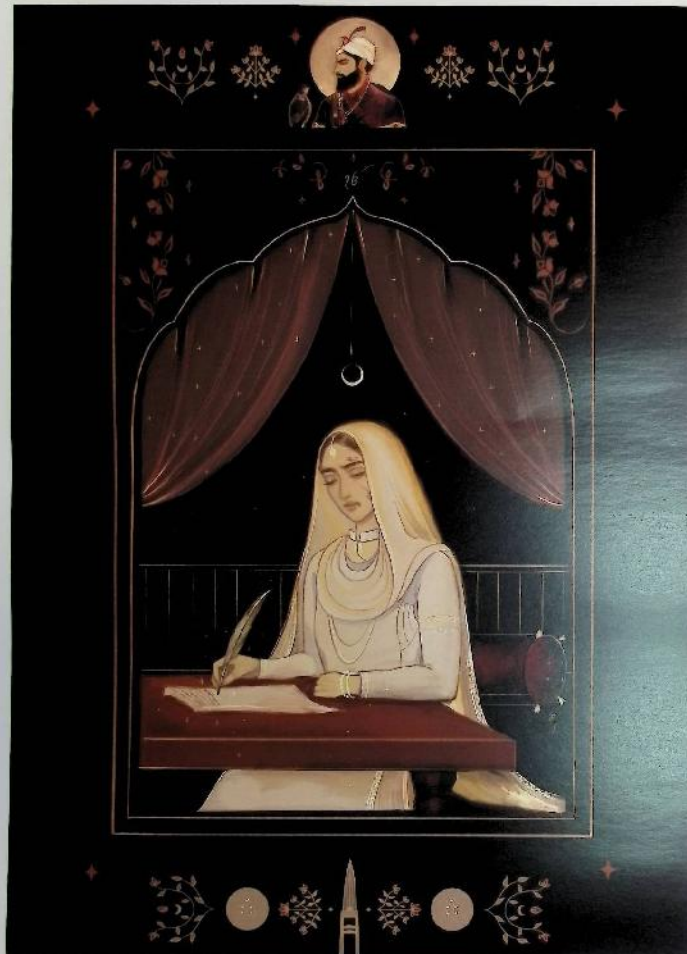
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Guru Ram Das Ji

੩੦ | ਪਰਕਾਸ਼
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November



Kattak ਕੱਤਕ / Maghar ਮੱਘਰ

ਬਕਿਰਮੀ ੨੦੮੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੫

Title: Kaula

Medium: Digital Art

Artist: Harseerat Randhawa, US

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Commissioner: Narian Sidhu

Kaula, the daughter of a Muslim priest named Rusham Khan and a student of the Sufi saint Mian Mir, lived a repressed lifestyle under her father's watch. She found solace in Gurbani and the few glimpses of Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji that she managed to catch, something that further drove a wedge between her and her father's relationship.

Rusham Khan himself had previously cheated the Guru, by selling him a horse that was initially stolen from a Sikh. Eventually, the Guru, upon the consultation of Mian Mir, rescued Kaula from her Lahore home and allowed her to take up residence in Amritsar near Harmandir Sahib.

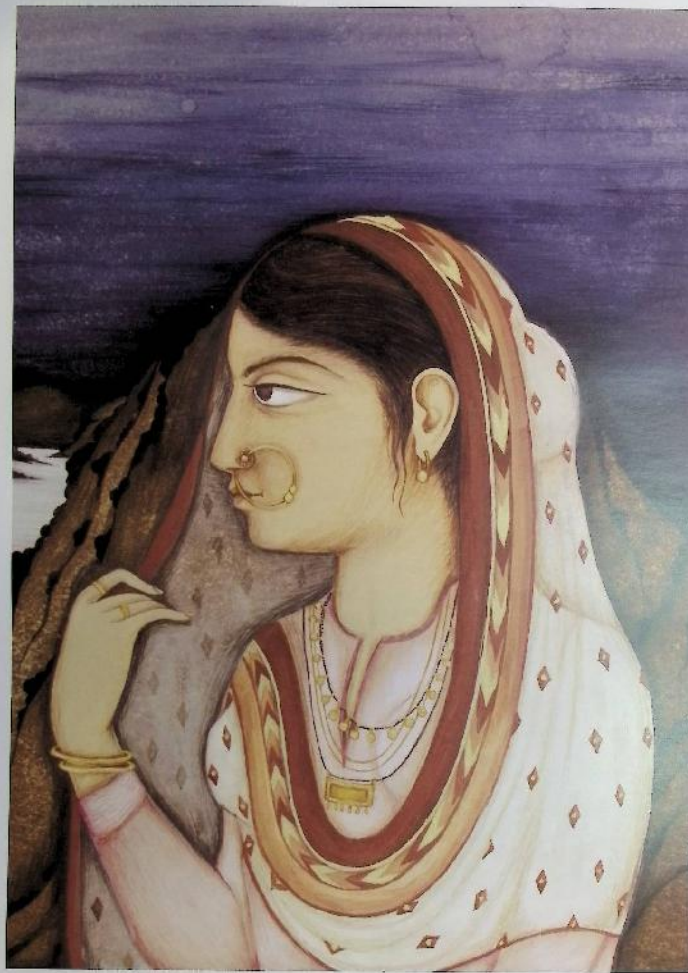
An incredibly enlightened and dedicated disciple of Guru Ji, she is memorialised by the Kaulsar Gurdwara Sahib, which adorns the Darbar Sahib complex.

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| 6 | Gurgaddi
Guru Harkrishan Ji
Jyoti Jot
Guru Har Rai Ji | ੬ | ਗੁਰਗੱਦੀ
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| 12 | Divas
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| 14 | Birth of
Rhegat Ramdev Ji | ੧੪ | ਜਨਮ ਦਿਨ
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| 15 | Gurgaddi Divas
Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji
Shahadeedi
Daba Deep Singh Ji | ੧੫ | ਗੁਰਗੱਦੀ ਦਿਵਸ
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ਦਬਾ ਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ |
| 16 | Jyoti Jot
Guru Gobind Singh Ji | ੧੬ | ਯੋਤੀ ਜੋਤ
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| 23 | US Holiday
Thanksgiving Day | ੨੩ | ਅਮਰੀਕਾ
ਥਾਂਕਸਗਿਵਿੰਗ ਦਿਨ |
| 27 | Parkash
Guru Nanak Dev Ji | ੨੭ | ਅਨਾਮਕ
ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਨਾਨਕ ਦੇਵ ਜੀ |
| 30 | Birth of
Shahbazada Zorawar Singh Ji | ੩੦ | ਜਨਮ ਦਿਨ
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December



Maghar ਮੱਘਰ / Poh ਪੋਹ

ਬਕਿਰੀ ੨੦੨੦, ਨਾਨਕਸ਼ਾਹੀ ੫੫੫

Title: Bibi Bhani

Medium: Miniature Painting

Artist: Simran Kaur, UK

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Commissioner: Inderjit Deu

The daughter of Guru Amar Das Ji and the wife of Guru Ram Das Ji, Bibi Bhani is recounted in sources as having an especially enlightened soul.

Guru Ram Das Ji only lived for six years after attaining the title of Guru and passed away at the age of 47. Bibi Bhani attained great spiritual enlightenment from the desire to serve her father Guru Amar Das Ji, and her spiritual insight guided her youngest son Guru Arjan Dev Ji to obtain the title of Guru.

The shabad Poota Mata Ki Aasoo (loosely translated as, "O son, this is your mother's blessing") was a poem written in the voice of his mother by Guru Arjan Dev Ji. The shabad extols upon the guidance Guru Ji received from his mother upon his Gurgaddi at the age of 18.

15	Gurgaddi Guru Gobind Singh Ji	੧੫	ਗੁਰਗੱਦੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ
17	Shaheed Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji	੧੭	ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਤੇਗ਼ ਬਹਾਦਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਜੀ
23	Shaheed Sahibzaada Aft Singh Ji Sahibzaada Jughnar Singh Ji	੨੩	ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ ਸਾਹਿਬਜ਼ਾਦਾ ਅਫ਼ਤਾਹ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ ਸਾਹਿਬਜ਼ਾਦਾ ਯੁਗਨਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ
25	Holiday Christmas Day	੨੫	ਹਾਈਡੀ ਕ੍ਰਿਸਮਸ ਦਿਨ
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28	Shaheed Sahibzaada Zorawar Singh Ji Sahibzaada Fateh Singh Ji Mata Gujri Ji	੨੮	ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ ਸਾਹਿਬਜ਼ਾਦਾ ਤਾਰਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ ਸਾਹਿਬਜ਼ਾਦਾ ਫਤਹ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ ਮਾਤਾ ਗੁਜਰੀ ਜੀ

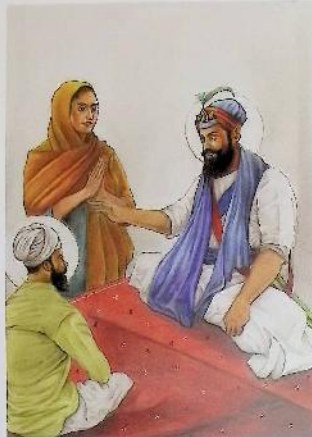
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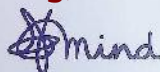


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